

existence since 1847. They furnish employment for more than 2000 men, independently of the commercial men engaged in furnishing materials from abroad. Taking the usual average of a family at five, subsistence would thus seem to be afforded to 10,000 persons by these factories; and there is no doubt that the population of that end of the town has been increased to even a greater extent since their establishment. Few instances of more rapid development can be found, we fancy, even among the rapidly growing manufacturing cities of the neighboring Union.

But the growth of our manufacturing suburb has not stopped there. Pushing still further on, to Côte St. Paul, just outside the city limits, where they escape city taxation, some new establishments have been planted during the last and the present season. A property there having a frontage of 3,400 feet upon the Lachine Canal, and containing altogether about 110 arpents of land, and extensive water power, was purchased about four years ago, by Mr. Parkyn, Engineer, of this city, with a view of connecting, with manufacturing operations, a dry and wet dock for repairing and building vessels. Finding it impossible, in consequence of the interference of the line of canal of the new Water Works, to carry out the plan of docks originally intended, he has been compelled for a time to abandon it; but has continued his manufacturing operations with a most praiseworthy zeal, and has now executed a splendid head race of about 2000 feet in length and 44 feet wide, at a cost of £2,000. He has also erected the following works now in operation:—

A Grist Mill with four run of stones, cost	£2,000
Axe Factory	“ 1,500
Saw Mills,	“ 3,000
Three Dwelling Houses,	“ 600

The discharge to this power is about 12,000 inches, with 9 feet 4 inches fall, and it is capable of driving four times the present machinery. About 100 men and 8 horses are employed on these works, and there is paid out in wages about a thousand dollars per week.

The Grist Mill is capable of grinding 500 bushels per day.

The Axe Factory is leased by J. J. Higgins, and turns out about 3000 dozen per annum, and is capable of extending to 5000 dozen. The Shovel Factory is leased by J. J. Higgins also, and is capable of producing 25 dozen per day.

The Nail Factory is leased by P. & J. Dunn, and manufactures about 270 tons per annum, and could be increased to 1,200 tons per annum.

The Saw Mill is leased by Alex. Cowan, and when fully completed, can produce a million feet per month.

The shovels, axes and tools manufactured at these works are very superior, and at the late Paris Exhibition they drew Prize Medals.

The Nail Machines turn out excellent work; the nails obtained honorable mention at the late Paris Exhibition.

(To be continued.)